

SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY DIVISION[27]

Adopted and Filed

Rule making related to forestry technical guide

The Soil Conservation and Water Quality Division hereby amends Chapter 12, “Water Protection Practices—Water Protection Fund,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is adopted under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 161A.4(1).

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 161A.2.

Purpose and Summary

This amendment updates the reference to the Department of Natural Resources’ forestry technical guide.

Public Comment and Changes to Rule Making

Notice of Intended Action for this rule making was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on June 6, 2018, as **ARC 3819C**. No public comments were received. Two changes were made from the Notice. A URL was updated for the electronic field office technical guide, and a technical fix was made to the name of the referenced department.

Adoption of Rule Making

This rule making was adopted by the Division on July 11, 2018.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Division for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 27—Chapter 8.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee’s meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

Effective Date

This rule making will become effective on September 5, 2018.

The following rule-making action is adopted:

Amend rule 27—12.83(161C) as follows:

27—12.83(161C) Practice standards and specifications. Soil and water conservation practices shall meet Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation standards and specifications where applicable. These standards may be accessed through the electronic field office technical guide at http://efotg.nres.usda.gov/efotg_locator.aspx?map=IA ~~efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/efotg_locator.aspx~~.

Tree planting, forest stand improvement, site preparation for natural regeneration and rescue treatment standards may be accessed through the department of natural resource's resources' forestry technical guide found at <http://www.iowadnr.com/forestry/pdf/techguide.pdf> ~~www.iowadnr.gov/Portals/idnr/uploads/forestry/ForestryTechguide.pdf~~.

Standards and specifications are also available in hard copy in the district office where the practice will be implemented. These specifications and the general conditions, rule 27—10.81(161A), shall be met in all cases. To the extent of any inconsistency between the general conditions and the specifications, the general conditions shall control.

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